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Presented for filing is a new **Continuation** patent application of:

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TITLE : MODULATION OF HEDGEHOG-MEDIATED SIGNALING PATHWAY

The prior application is assigned of record to **THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE** and **BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE**, by virtue of assignments submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording on July 24, 1998 and July 27, 1998, respectively, at Reel 9349, Frame 0892 and Reel 9349, Frame 0901, respectively.

Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR § 1.53(b):

Pages of Specification	52
Pages of Claims	6
Pages of Abstract	1
Pages of Declaration (from Parent)	4
Sheets of Drawing	20

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- Preliminary Amendment (5 pages);
- Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
 - Forms PTO-1449 (filed in parent application) (2 pages);
 - Forms PTO-892 (filed in parent application) (2 pages);
- Request for Transfer of Computer Readable Form (2 pages);
- Sequence Listing (3 pages);
- Check No. 545385 in the amount of \$385.00; and
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Under 35 USC § 120, this application is a **continuation** application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/934,035 filed August 21, 2001, now pending; which is a continuation application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/023,249 filed February 13, 1998, now issued as U.S. patent 6,277,566. The disclosure of each of the prior applications is considered part of and is incorporated by reference in the disclosure of this application.

Applicants claim **SMALL ENTITY** status in the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, a verified statement claiming small entity status is not required.

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